

BODY COMES ON SIERRA

James A. Hopper Died
In San Francisco.

PARALYSIS THE CAUSE

The Widow is Ill But Convalescing—
Decedent Was a
Kamaaina.

James A. Hopper, the veteran organizer of the planing mill industry in Honolulu, died in San Francisco on December 11, two days before the departure of the Sierra for this port. The body was brought to Honolulu on the steamer, the widow and her eldest daughter accompanying the remains on their last sad voyage. A stroke of paralysis on the day after Thanksgiving was the cause of Mr. Hopper's death. From this stroke he did not rally, but sank day by day until the end came. His last day away from the hotel where the family had been stopping was on Thanksgiving.

The death of Mr. Hopper removes from the list of well known Honoluluans another kamaaina who was identified with the upbuilding of the business interests of the Islands four decades ago. He was a resident of Honolulu for a little more than forty years, having arrived here in February, 1860. He was born in New York City in 1831. He sailed for Honolulu from Boston with Mrs. Hopper, his son W. L. Hopper and oldest daughter, reaching this port via Cape Horn. He was a lock and gunsmith by trade, and worked originally in the factory of Day & Newell, New York City. On arrival here he branched out into other lines and did a great deal of business in supplying whaling ships with whaling guns. He then built a planing mill and laid the foundations of the present large enterprise now superintended by his son, W. L. Hopper. He also went into the manufacture of sugar kegs, and organized a brass foundry and machine shop, and later established a mill for milling and cleaning rice.

For the past four or five years he has not been an active partner in his business affairs. He has been making annual trips to the Coast for his health; usually going there in the spring or summer time. He left Honolulu on his last trip in April of this year, but was not well during the summer.

No time has yet been set for the funeral. The deceased was a member of Exeelsior Lodge, I. O. O. F. Although not a member of any church, yet Mr. Hopper was a thoroughly Christian man, and any charitable enterprise was always patronized by him. Mrs. Hopper was quite ill before the steamer left, but is much better at present.

LEPER PRATT WAS IN THE PESTHOUSE

The San Francisco Health Board
Aided Him To Come
Here.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 9.—Speaking on the case of George Pratt or Peppelow, Health Officer O'Brien said, "A woman, whose name I do not know, came to me and asked my permission for a leper named George Pebo, then at the Pesthouse, to leave the city and live at Molokai. She said that she would undertake to secure transportation and that the man was anxious to go."

"I told her that if the steamship company would give her the transportation, and if she would guarantee that the man would leave the country, I had no objection."

"A few days later she returned and said that she had made arrangements with the steamship company, and that everything was in readiness for his departure. I sent some one from the Pesthouse to see that the man was on board, and when I had verified Pebo's departure the matter dropped as far as I was concerned."

"Pebo had been at the Pesthouse for about four years, and at the time he left on the China his disease was in a dormant state. In this condition the danger of infection is reduced to a minimum, and I doubt if any one on the steamer contracted the disease."

"The fact that he passed the medical scrutiny of the ship's surgeon and of the port officials at Honolulu proves that the evidences of the disease must have been very meagre."

There is a serious financial crisis in Germany owing to the decline in mortgage bonds.

Former King Milan is reported to have become engaged to Miss Atzel, an American heiress.

The Australian woman's suffrage bill was passed December 12th, as well as the old people's pension bill.

Traffic Manager W. A. Blaisell, of the Santa Fe, declared on the 12th instant that the strike was defeated.

There was a heavy run on the Harlem Savings Bank, New York City, December 12th. The bank paid out \$250,000 and \$100,000 on the 13th.

Nature has written a letter of credit on some men's faces which is honored wherever presented.—Thackeray.

KRUEGER'S HOPE GONE

The Czar Refuses To
See Him.

PARALYSIS THE CAUSE

Russia and France Might Have Intervened
to Aid Boers But
for Kaiser.

NEW YORK, Dec. 10.—A cable to the Herald from Vienna says: According to information from a well informed source, news has been received in Vienna that when Krueger received a telegram from the Czar informing him that his majesty could not accede to his request to intervene he was very depressed, and is said to have remarked to his entourage: "Now my last hope is gone."

LONDON, Dec. 11.—"Dr. Leyds and his friends are spreading a report," says the Amsterdam correspondent of the Daily Mail, "that Queen Wilhelmina will intervene after her marriage. This is meant to blind the public to the real facts, which are that she will personally to every European ruler on Krueger's arrival in Europe, and from two countries at least—France and Russia—received conditional promises of help in the direction of intervention, but the plan failed in Berlin."

BERLIN, Dec. 10.—In the Reichstag today the Imperial Chancellor Count von Buelow, replying to a question on the subject of Krueger's failure to be received by Emperor William, said the Government did all in its power to ward off war and left the two republics in no doubt as to the state of affairs in Europe and as to German neutrality. When, in 1899, the question of arbitration seemed not altogether excluded, the government recommended it to Krueger. He thought the time had not yet come. When Krueger later sought intervention his feelings were too highly inflated for the Dutch and German governments. For the German government it was lost time to give advice Germany was convinced that any step of a great power at that moment would lead to no result.

"There was no use for us," said the chancellor, "to pinch our fingers between the door and the hinge." The chancellor added that when the suggestion of mediation was made to Great Britain by the United States in a quite generally worded inquiry, it was rejected officially and categorically. Intervention might have led to war.

The chancellor described the reply of M. Delcasse, the French Minister of Foreign Affairs, to Krueger as: "France will in no case take the initiative, but would not oppose it when certain eventualities become known, provided that they are calculated to serve French interests." The chancellor thereupon remarked that he could not have dealt with the situation better himself. Official honors to Krueger in Germany, he pointed out, would have displaced international relations and served no purpose of Krueger or of Germany. Germany was not bound to Great Britain by a hair's breadth more than Great Britain was bound to Germany. But to act the Dutch against Great Britain would be a piece of folly for which he would not be responsible.

Although the Krueger matter will be taken up again in the Reichstag, Count von Buelow's speech, evidently prepared with great care, was so overwhelming in its array of powerful facts that it amounted to a sweeping victory over the entire opposition. So far as German politics is concerned, the incident is closed.

RUNNING FIGHT WITH BOERS

Knox Pursuing General De Wet
Towards the Town of
Reddersburg.

LONDON, Dec. 12.—Lord Kitchener cables the War Office from Pretoria, under date of December 12, that General Knox reports from Helvetia that he is engaged in a running fight with General De Wet, and that the enemy is moving toward Reddersburg, where there is a column ready to co-operate with the other British forces.

Lord Kitchener, in another dispatch, reports that the Boers attacked the post near Berberton. The British casualties were three killed, five wounded and thirteen taken prisoners. The captured men have since been released.

The Boers raided the Riverton road station December 11. They are being followed up.

General Kitchener's message indicates that De Wet has again evaded Knox. After the latter had foiled the Boer general at Coomassie Drift, the Boers seem to have doubled back, crossed the Caledon river elsewhere and turned thence northwest in the direction of Reddersburg, the memorable scene of the British disaster in April, when De Wet captured the Irish Rifles.

The Argentine government is said to have opened bids for the Transandean Railway on the basis of £1,200,000.

The German consul at Lourenso Marques will act for Holland in the absence of a Dutch consul at that port.

WORLD'S NEWS CONDENSED

The Czar is well again. Georgia Cayvan is improving. "Dookey" Dunne is recovering. August Belmont has typhoid fever. The Nansen fund has reached \$250,000.

Lord Sloane will shortly visit California. The postal deficit was over five millions. Our troops are active in the Philippines.

Elihu Terry has retired from the stage. Andrew Carnegie favors the Isthmian canal. The Boers are still raiding British trains.

Civil law will soon be established in Africa. Roland Reed, the noted actor, is critically ill.

Mount Wrangell is still in a state of eruption. The Cape Dutch continue to uphold the burghers.

Servant girls of Minneapolis will organize a union. England is seeking more army horses in South Africa.

Sir Robert Hart is aging and cannot last much longer. The Berlin census returns show a population of 1,884,345.

Alleged relatives of Millionaire Daly may contest his will. Col. J. F. Weston will succeed Eagan as Commander General.

The Epworth League rates were still undecided December 7. The Californian, a new weekly paper, will appear January 5.

Returning Laplanders say reindeer do not thrive in Alaska. The Canadian troops have sailed for home from South Africa.

England may accept the abrogation of the Clayton-Bulwer treaty. The metric system may be adopted officially by the United States.

The steamer El Dorado is caught in Yukon ice and may be crushed. The Sultan gave a dinner to the officers of the battleship Kentucky.

It is whispered in court circles that Queen Victoria is failing rapidly. Spain is raising a new loan in order to replenish the gold supply.

Representative Foss of Illinois is now at the head of the Naval Committee. Samuel Gompers asks that Southern negroes be allowed to organize unions.

The Board of Supervisors in San Francisco, has been sent to prison for seven years for publicly insulting the Government.

Osaki, secretary of the Japanese Legation at Paris, committed suicide a few days ago by jumping from a window.

An English syndicate may purchase several Pennsylvania steel and iron mills. The House passed the Groat oleomargarine bill by a vote of 196 to 92 on December 7.

The French Government is seeking to buy American paintings for the National Gallery. General Otis denies having any dealings with Rockefeller relating to mining claims.

De Wet was compelled, in retreat, to release his prisoners and abandon a Krupp gun. Captain Carter, the disgraced Army officer, has failed in his attempt to secure release.

Sugar magnate Oxnard has married Marie Pichon, his sister-in-law's beautiful French maid. A gold badge has been presented to Mrs. McKinley on behalf of the Paris Exposition Commission.

A female mass meeting recently sent resolutions to Washington urging Congress to prohibit polygamy. An Oregon stage was held up and robbed near Lakeview by one lone highwayman on the 12th instant.

A Lake Erie gale caused a disaster last week when a large bark and eight men were drowned. The Pacific Mail will fight the shipping subsidy bill because of the clause aimed at their Oriental crews.

Mrs. George M. Pullman, widow of the railroad magnate, is to marry Gerard Barry, a New York artist. More trouble is brewing for the de Castellanes. Their valuable yacht has been seized by their creditors.

The United States Government ship, the Albatross, returned to New Zealand as a present, on the Sierra. The German Government positively denies any intention of keeping troops in the Chinese Empire permanently.

Richard Baker, proprietor of the new Queen Hotel, London, has failed and his liabilities are placed at \$250,000. Dorothy Drew, the actress, will sue Jeffries, the pugilist, for saying that he had never asked her to be his wife.

The two wives of bigamist J. M. Lathrop met in Seattle, and wept together over their sorrows. The engagement of Miss Gladys Deacon to the Prince von Liechtenstein of Austria has been formally announced.

Rudolph Mers, a tailor of San Francisco, is arrested in charge of robbing his partner by gas asphyxiation. A proposition is on foot to join the great lakes and Atlantic by a 30-foot channel to cost over three hundred millions.

The annual Oxford and Cambridge football match took place at the Queen's Club, London, on the 12th instant. The Irish Nationalists have denounced landliomism and declared the continual struggle would never be abandoned.

Hume Yerrington, formerly Mayor of Carson, Nev., has been arrested at Victoria for stealing field glasses from a saloon. Reports from Washington show a marvellous increase in trade with Porto Rico, Cuba and the Islands of the Pacific.

John McLaughlin, the famous painter of horses, was killed last week by a fall from a window of his residence in New York.

Two big lumber companies were incorporated at Tacoma, Washington, on the 12th instant and capitalized at half a million dollars.

The Shah of Persia is an enthusiastic automobile and recently made a long journey in a horseless carriage which he purchased in Paris.

Napoleonic relics were burned at Cherbourg, France, December 7, including Napoleon's lance. The loss is estimated at 2,000,000 francs.

The Sultan of Turkey welcomed Lord C. Griescom, United States Charge d'Affaires, Captain Colby M. Chester, and other officers on December 7.

The Milliners' Association of San Francisco have succeeded in getting a petition for shorter hours signed by a large percentage of employers.

An Alaska guide has discovered Indians in Western Alaska living in the fashion of past ages. They wear ivory ornaments in nose and mouth.

A bill for the restriction of the anti-Chinese law will be presented on the first day of the new Congress by Representative Kahn of California.

The President has recommended that the Mexican Government be paid \$2,000,000 for the loss of the Fortinosa Steamer, which was wrecked in the Gulf of Mexico.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Walsh of Washington gave a brilliant reception to the Paris Commissioners and diplomats.

matic and official circles on December 7. In a recent sermon Bishop Potter of New York attacked those who deny and denounce the attempt of colleges to throttle thinking professors. Utah Indians threatened to burn the Agency schools on December 12, unless the children confined there with measles and other diseases were not released.

King Oscar's health is greatly improved. The English Liberals desire to offer terms to the burghers.

General Brooke will investigate the hanging charges at West Point. It is said that a highbinder war is again impending in San Francisco.

The railroad agents at Fresno, California, have joined the railroad strikers. James Shields, a nephew of Marcus Daly, was shot by his wife a few days ago.

Chicago has a bill prepared which will permit her to own her street railways. Yale wants a million dollars and for the first time on record is "begging for money."

The Colombian troops won a victory December 12th and destroyed a rebel steamer.

J. P. Stiemens, a young American citizen, has been held for military duty in Germany.

The Duke and Duchess of Manchester with a party of friends are touring the United States.

A new political trouble is threatened in Vienna by the resignation of the Bulgarian Cabinet.

A resolution has been adopted by the California Fruit Growers, condemning the Jamaica treaty.

A bill was recently introduced into the House of Representatives to put a heavy tax on imitation butter.

It is announced that civil government will shortly be established in the Transvaal and Orange River Colony.

Manager Duncan has announced that the new cup defender yacht for America is to be christened the Eagle.

A vote was recently taken in the Senate on the Hay-Pauncefote treaty. The result has not yet been learned.

An expedition from the University of California is to be sent to Australia and South America.

The annual immigration report from Washington shows an influx for the year of over a half million aliens.

Mr. McNamee, a San Francisco teacher, was driven insane through fear of a man who threatened her life.

The Foreign Office at Hongkong have denied that there is any Filipino junta, in reply to Secretary Hay's inquiry.

An anti-adulteration of food ordinance is pending legislation before the Board of Supervisors in San Francisco.

The Serbian ex-Minister, M. Genchich, has been sent to prison for seven years for publicly insulting the Government.

Osaki, secretary of the Japanese Legation at Paris, committed suicide a few days ago by jumping from a window.

It is reported that either the Prince of Wales or the Duke of York will attend the American cup races next August.

A transport Thomas, loaded with supplies for the troops, left San Francisco on the 17th inst. for the Philippines.

A trial trip to Manila has been ordered for the tug Wompatuck, which has been doing service in the Brooklyn Navy Yard.

The California State Educational Commission is making a fight to eliminate political influence from the Normal Schools.

Lurline Duvie, a 10-year-old girl, was burned to death in San Francisco as the result of lighting a match in a draughty hallway.

A number of engagements are reported from the Philippines, with large losses for the rebels and small damage to American troops.

At St. Petersburg recently missiles were thrown at the actors in the anti-Jewish play, "The Contra Bandits." The play had to be stopped.

It is proposed to adopt a new prime meridian for time-keeping, making a universal hour all over the world, without regard to longitude.

Nicaragua and Costa Rica have announced that they will grant a lease of the Nicaragua canal to the United States for a period of 20 years.

The construction of the Pacific cable may be defeated by the successful experiments of wireless telegraphy between Europe and America.

A colored youth and two companions, at San Francisco, tortured a little kindergarten by burning his face with matches. He will be marked for life.

The bids were opened at Washington on December 7 for the construction of new battlefields. The Union Iron Works of San Francisco was one of the bidders.

A bill is before Congress proposing the dedication of the Fredericksburg battlefields to the memory of the great Civil War.

A rich elderly New York woman has married a young man to care for her property. He gets a salary of \$10,000 a year, leaving a job as bandmaster to take.

A bronze reproduction of "Winged Victory" will be presented to Admiral Dewey's old flagship, the Olympia, as a figurehead, when repairs have been completed.

On December 7th it was reported that war might be impending between Portugal and Holland. The Ministers of both countries have withdrawn from their posts.

A trained nurse cut the throat of a child in New York last week. She had lost her own child and said she did not think another woman's child should be allowed to live.

Several prominent millionaires of New York, including Wm. Rockefeller and J. Pierpont Morgan, answered a call for jury duty on December 6, instead of paying a fine.

News came from Cape Town on the 7th inst. to the effect that the Boer sympathizers are causing trouble in England and England is reported to be holding out concessions.

The Czar of Russia has been deluged with letters of advice, mostly from private people throughout Europe and America, and kindly suggestions as to treatment of his malady.

Parliament opened with a bitter debate over the war policy in Africa. Chamberlain was the center of the conflict. The Colonial Secretary was denounced savagely by the Liberals and made a heated reply in which he denounced the policy of the Liberals as a "policy of surrender."

The House of Lords Salisbury defended his policy and Chamberlain made a severe reply. The Army bill passed the House on December 6th with an amendment against the Eastern. The amendments designed to retire General Staff as a Major General and General Fitzhugh Lee and James H. Wilson as Brigadier Generals were struck out. Among the amendments adopted were those providing for fifty volunteer surgeons and 100 assistant surgeons for service in the Philippines for thirty days and for a permanent corps with actual rank. The officers of the Pay Corps were increased eleven and of the Signal Corps twenty-three. The age limit was removed from volunteer officers and the rank of Major General was raised to that of a permanent officer and the provision for retiring officers who served in the Civil War as of the next higher grade was struck out.

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LOCAL BREVITIES.

W. A. Purdy has gone to Hilo. M. F. Prosser and C. H. Bishop are in this city from Kauai.

Clifton Tracy has been appointed one of the Board of Health inspectors. Mrs. Walter Hoffmann has gone to Kaneohe for recreation for a week or two.

Andrew Adams has returned to Spreckelsville. He had been ill in Honolulu. Marshall of the extinct Volcano is being circulated.

A couple of bombs were found under a safe in the office of the Kapuni Estate the other day. They were left there evidently by accident.

The old and familiar Enterprise Mill, on Alakea and Richards, has been turned over to a new corporation and will hereafter be known as the Pacific Mill Co.

Major George Ruhlen, quartermaster, has been ordered to visit Tacoma, Wash., on business pertaining to the shipment of animals and other supplies to the Philippines, says the Washington Star.

The twins born to the wife of Peter Katal, on December 10, died on Tuesday afternoon. The mother lived, but two days after they were born, she having died on December 12.

Suit for \$1,000 has been brought against W. H. Cornwell by J. A. Magoon, the plaintiff, alleging that this amount is due on a certain promissory note in favor of the Sanitary Steam Laundry Company, Limited, for stock which the defendant had contracted.

Thomas Square is being stripped of all its crotches and hibiscus hedges, and any one wishing them can have them for the asking. These small trees and hedges are being removed from the sidewalks and, as possible, the holes filled up and the green sward extended in every direction. Grass will be grown along the sidewalks and a sweeping vista opened up from street to street except where the big trees intervene.

Percy M. Pond, the local real estate man, was married to Miss Edith O. Edredge on November 26 at the residence of Prof. Geo. Mead, No. 5536 Madison avenue, Chicago, by the Rev. C. N. Pond of Oberlin, father of the groom.

The couple were to have visited Oberlin on their honeymoon tour and then return to Honolulu to make their permanent home.

Paymaster Perkins, U. S. N., is to arrive on the Sierra to exchange places with Paymaster John Clyde Sullivan, at present attached to the United States training ship Adams, now in port. The latter will report to the commandant of Mare Island Navy Yard and assume the duties of paymaster aboard the new battleship Wisconsin, recently launched from the Union Iron Works.

The records of the case of the Hawaiian Land Co., Ltd., vs. Kettle L. Scott, have been forwarded to Honolulu by George Clark, district magistrate of North Kona, Hawaii, to the Supreme Court, and a request has been made to the clerk of the Supreme Court to place the case on the calendar for the December term.

Louis J. Warren, age twenty-three, a native of California, and a former clerk in the law office of Pringle & Pringle, San Francisco, is the latest addition to the ranks of the lawyers. He has been admitted to practice in all the courts of Hawaii, and took oath before Chief Justice Frear. W. O. Smith and R. D. Mead endorsed his application.

Suit has been brought by the Hawaiian Trust & Investment Co. against Annie Barton, Helen A. Dunning and Gen. Lansing & Co., to have partition made of a piece of land on Hotel street near Cook. The plaintiff lays claim to an undivided one-fourth interest in the property and that Annie Barton and Helen Dunning are owners in fee simple of which Gen. Lansing & Co. are the lessees. Defendants have refused to have the land partitioned. E. D. Tenney and J. H. Galt, president and secretary respectively of the company, have signed the petition.

C. H. W. Norton, who left on the Mowara, will meet Colonel Macfarlane in San Francisco and proceed with him to London, where they expect to meet \$50,000 worth of Mowara stock. Mr. Norton has that amount of the shares of the plantation with him, and expects to dispose of the entire lot on his present trip. Mr. Macfarlane will introduce Mr. Norton to the London financiers and pave the way for a disposition of the stock.

LABORERS COMING

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forlorn little band to give battle at the gangplank, it seems probable at this writing that the money lords will overwhelm them easily—not by force of arms, but, as has been said, by the speed of a locomotive and their childlessness and ignorance. A great crime against human liberty will be consummated; for these people have been lured from home by wilful deceit, have been kept under duress in our mainland territory and with rare exceptions are facing Hawaii against their will. The only gratifying aspect of the situation is that however the hearts of the exiles may be swept by anguish because of involuntary introduction to strange peoples and strange tongues where they thought to be surrounded by kindred people speaking the language of Spain, their physical condition may not be worse than in their native land. The slave traders will, in all likelihood, look well to that. Their interest will compel them not to hope to kidnap many carcasses of people living under the American flag, and they will wish this experimental band to flourish well enough to prove a lure to others.

ASSOCIATED PRESS ACCOUNT.

EL PASO, Tex., Dec. 6.—A party of 114 Porto Ricans were brought in here over the Southern Pacific railroad, 10 days, who are en route to Hawaii under contract to work on the sugar plantations. They contend that they are being taken against their will and are giving the guards no little trouble.

George E. Baldwin, a labor contractor, is in charge of the company and says they have agreed to go. The Porto Ricans, however, contend that they were loaded on a boat in Porto Rico with the understanding that they were going to the opposite side of the island to work, but after six days they were landed in New Orleans and rushed on to a train. They learned in San Antonio where they were being taken to and have since been trying to escape.

Two escaped at Sanders, Tex., but the county Sheriff arrested them and delivered them to the guards. They made attempts to escape at every station, but were arrested. When they reached El Paso they were arranged to appeal for aid, but were rushed out before their arrangements could be completed. They are to take the steamer Rio out of San Francisco on December 14th, and for fear that they will escape in San Francisco, they are being held at small stations along the route in the hope that they can be a sanitary standpoint, having been in them get away.

They are in a pitiable condition from a sanitary standpoint, having been in the same cars for ten days. Two of the women have given birth to children in the cars and are in a bad condition. Baldwin would not give any particulars of his contract other than the fact that he had paid their fares and that they would have to go.

TRUTH ABOUT THEM.

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 11.—A special to the Times from India says: One hundred and twelve Porto Ricans are here in three tourist cars with uniformed Pullman porters to take care of them and their affairs. They have a dining and cooking car fully equipped with competent cooks and a steward and waiters. The cars are well provisioned. Their bread is sent from Los Angeles and fresh meat comes daily.

I visited the car this evening while they were eating supper and examined the food and found that each got plenty of good wholesome fare, and said they were well housed and fed and had plenty of fresh water. The cars are cleaned daily. The people all seem to be in good health and spirits and have perfect liberty, going all over the town and country, bathing and washing their clothes at the artesian wells.